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Applicant: YAMANOUCHI, Masaya et al. Conf.: 9841
Appl. No.: 09/578,693 Group: 1641
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For: METHOD FOR EXAMINING HUMAN KIDNEY DISEASE
BY DETECTING THE FATTY ACID BINDING
PROTEIN

REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

October 3, 2002

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 3, 2002, the period for responding having been extended one (1) month until October 3, 2002, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 4, line 2, with the following amended paragraph:

--Moreover, kidney-type FABP existing at male rat kidney has been known to be derived from α_{2u} -globulin, and JP-5-333025-A discloses that the increase in urinary α_{2u} -globulin level can be

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